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THE INTERIOR OF AFRICA

A SCHEME FOR OPENING THE COUNTRY TO COMMERCE AND CIVILIZATION

The London *Times* of the 27th of July, says Yesterday afternoon a meeting was held in the long parlor of the Mansion House in support of a remarkable scheme for opening northwest Central Africa to commerce and civilization The Lord Mayor presided and among those present were General Sir Arthur Cotton Mr Alexander McArthur M P Mr Donald Mackenzie, Mr Andrew Cassels, Major Cooper Gardner, Mr Alexander Ludwig Mr Gordon, Mr Bruce and many others In opening the proceedings the Lord Mayor said some few weeks ago he received an influential deputation on the subject of Central African exploration, and it was suggested to him during that the slave traffic had to some extent been stopped by the Zanzibar treaty and if conducted at all, its headquarters were more toward the center of Africa and in the neighborhood of Timbuctoo that it was very important to reach that district with greater ease and facility than at present It was proposed with that object, to

LET THE WAVES OF THE ATLANTIC INTO THE GREAT DESERT OF SAHARA

By removing a comparatively small barrier of sand which now alone separated the low lying lands of the desert from the sea near Cape Juby and opposite geographically speaking the Canary Islands That scheme he was told by eminent engineering authority was by no means impracticable or difficult of accomplishment and the object of that meeting was to lay it before the public with a view to a preliminary survey being made The distance from the coast to Timbuctoo, across the desert was eight hundred miles and in the event of the sand barrier five or six miles in extent being removed there would be uninterrupted access to the heart of Africa and the commerce of Europe and America would be largely developed, besides effecting what was more important the abolition of the slave trade and opening a way to the introduction of Christianity among the African tribes. The project he thought was well worthy of the consideration of every civilized nation It seemed after all to be

ONLY A MATTER OF EXPENSE,

For, compared with the formation of the Suez canal, the engineering difficulties were of minor consequence There could be no doubt that if the proposal was carried out the people of Africa would be largely benefited, and very much would be gained in the interests of humanity, religion and commerce by obtaining readier and easier access to the centre of Africa. Mr. Donald Mackenzie, at the request of the lord mayor, then read a paper on the subject " He stated that the continent of Africa had an area of nearly a quarter of the entire land of the globe and it had presented greater obstacles to human enterprise than any other part of the earth's surface Notwithstanding the many explorations of scientific people and travelers both recently and in ancient times of which he quoted several instances the vast interior of Africa still remained almost *terra incognita*, with its natural wealth undeveloped and its mineral treasures unexplored It had a climate fully equal to any other part of the world, and capable of yielding tropical and sub-tropical productions to a very great extent. Still it was

A LOST CONTINENT

Banished, as it were, from commercial intercourse with the civilized parts of the world The most considerable part of our commerce with north central Africa was carried across the great Desert of Sahara from the shores of the Mediterranean Caravans now performed dangerous and tedious journeys of many months' duration from Morocco, Algiers, Tripoli, Tunis and other ports to the Kingdom of Soudan Two thousand miles of sterile and mountainous country had to be traversed, and hostile tribes encountered, before the nearest market was reached In spite of these difficulties about three millions' worth of British produce found its way annually from the north to Soudan, which kingdom had no less than 20 000 000 of inhabitants The great importance of opening those regions to commerce could not for a moment be doubted and Timbuctoo formed he thought the most favored spot for such intercourse, situated as it was on the very edge of the desert His plan was to open a

DIRECT COMMERCIAL HIGHWAY

From the mouth of the river Belta, in the neighborhood of Capes Juby and Bogador, on the northwest coast of Africa, opposite the Canary Islands, to the northern bend of the Niger, at Timbuctoo, a distance of about 800 miles. That would form the shortest route to the interior and was within easy access of Europe and America the mouth of the Belta being distant about 1,600 miles from England The engineering difficulties were inconsiderable, and the physical formation of that part of the Desert of Sahara which had to be crossed favored the project "a great tract of it with an area of 1,3 000 square miles and known as Kfar being a vast depression considerably below the level of the Atlantic It was bounded by fertile and populous regions and inhabited by an industrious class of people whose only commercial intercourse with Europe was carried on from Mogador That depression was impregnated with salt, and it had, it was believed, formerly formed

PART OF THE BED OF THE SEA

He contended that the climate the geography and the people were all favorable to the scheme, and if once the mouth of the Belta was cleared of the sand the waters of the Atlantic would fill their former bed, thus establishing a direct communication with North Central Africa within easy distance of our ports Instead of a trade of three millions annually it might be increased ten fold The great continent of Africa would be opened to every wholesome influence, its vast resources would be developed and the horrors of the slave trade would no longer stain its history He added that the proposed preliminary survey would enable them to obtain the necessary data to carry out the scheme and that such survey would be comparatively inexpensive

THE HIGHEST BRIDGE IN THE WORLD.—The highest bridge in the world will be built at the crossing of the Kentucky river on the Cincinnati Southern railway, near the Salter ferry The Baltimore Bridge Company one of the most noted in the United States, has secured the contract The bridge will consist of an iron deck truss of three spans of 375 feet each center to center, supported by two piers and two abutments The piers will be built of masonry to a height of 64 feet and 9 inches above low water mark and the old bridge stands below low water mark will soon be determined by borings under control of the resident engineer These piers will be 120 feet long end to end of cut water and 30 wide on the top, built hollow with the walls 4 feet from end to end Upon the masonry will rest the iron trestle work. The grade line is 50 feet 6 inches above low water The abutments will be built upon the cliffs on each side of the river and are to be 48 feet high depending upon the shape of the ledges of rock When this structure is completed Kentuckians can well point with pride to the highest bridge upon this continent —*Danville (Ky.) Advocate*

At last some one is to be tried in Philadelphia for complicity in the abduction of Charles Ross Nearly all the great failures of our police as we now know were not due to stupidity but bribery but their failure in this case was probably an exception—a pure instance of natural inexpertness.

THE PRESIDENCY

[From the New York Tribune]

At one of the many summer resorts on the Jersey coast there met a few days ago three congressmen—a New Englander a Pennsylvanian and a Southerner—all Republicans A newspaper correspondent made a fourth at the party He very well knew each other and having nothing better to do began to talk politics With the habitual precaution of men experienced in public life the congressmen pledged the correspondent not to quote them before they ventured to express their views with entire freedom The correspondent gave the required promise with no great unwillingness because he did not like to be taken for one of those highwaymen of journalism who make public men stand and deliver their opinions or pick up ends of talk carelessly dropped and put it in print with the speaker's name attached without asking him whether he is willing to avow the ownership Besides he did not suppose the honorable gentleman would say anything worth printing. Afterward he concluded that much that was said might have an interest as showing the drift of opinion, or rather the absence of well defined drift on the question of the next Presidency, and so jotted down this abstract of the conversation

Pennsylvanian Singular isn't it how little is said about presidential nominations In less than a year we shall be in the midst of the sound and fury of the campaign and yet you scarcely hear the subject broached

New Englander—True there has been a complete lull since Grant's letter came out What are you likely to do in Pennsylvania?

Pennsylvanian—If Gov Hartranft carries the state this fall he will have a compliment ary vote from our delegation If not we will of course drop him Mr Blaine of the prominent candidates has most strength with us If delegates were to be elected now he would probably get nearly the solid vote of the state How do you feel down East?

New Englander—Mr Blaine believes he will have the delegations from the Eastern States Perhaps he will but personally I don't think he can get the nomination He is too old and successful a politician to grasp the highest prize in politics Some man of much less ability will push in ahead of him at the last moment

Correspondent—I was out in Ohio lately and heard a great deal of talk about Gov Hayes as the coming man In case he beats Allen and thus crushes the soft money movement he will be more prominently in the public eye than any politician in the country

Pennsylvanian—If the party is to be run on a hard money basis perhaps Mr Hayes would be as good a candidate as any He is quiet sensible sort of man who never said a down right foolish thing or wrote an indiscreet letter—just the man for a candidate if he could inspire any enthusiasm But it won't do to put the specie business too strongly in the platform—I tell you inflation is mighty strong in my section Very many who is hard up wants more greenbacks

Southerner—There isn't half currency enough in circulation That's the way we feel down South We will stand by the party no matter what kind of platform it makes, but we don't want any nonsense about contraction and resumption if we can help it

Correspondent—Who is your man for president, now Grant is out of the way?

Southerner—We're not sure he is out of the way He's our man all the time, and if he wants our votes in the convention he can have them Grant can get the solid negro vote at the election and there isn't another man in the Republican party who can The negroes don't know anything about your ordinary politicians. They always think of Grant as a man about 12 feet high, in a gorgeous uniform with a big sword in his hand A candidate without a sword wouldn't suit them

Correspondent—Do you expect the Southern vote to be cast as a unit in the Republican convention

Southerner—We men who run the machine in the late rebellion mean just that If we can't nominate Grant we intend to have a candidate who will take care of us

New Englander—Grant is as dead as Julius Cæsar He couldn't get a single delegate from a Northern state Let's talk about live men Pennsylvania—What do you say to Mr Wanamaker?

New Englander—If he should go into the convention as Grant's selected successor that would beat him and if he should stand on his own merit he would have no show He has been too long out of the country to have any hold on the public mind and we congressmen who remember him know that he built up a cheap reputation by his way of saving at the spigot in appropriations while wasting at the bung He was a small man without a grain of statesmanship Indeed one almost was he Why when he was on the appropriation committee the expenditures were frightfully extravagant—that is they seem so now when we look back upon them He was always busy stopping little leaks in the treasury, but he invariably sent his eyes when he came to the big ones which his friends had their buckets in her

Correspondent—Senator Conkling I suppose is out of the question?

New Englander—Not to be thought of nor any other New Yorkman The custom house bulls all of them I see they talk of ex Senator Morgan He would be a more unfortunate choice than Conkling What a fatal piece of folly it would be to run a millionaire in hard times

Correspondent—What of Senator Freeling huysen

Southerner—There's nothing to him but department and an old revolutionary name

Correspondent—Well you have always Henry Wilson with you

Southerner—No such man as that can win the rough and tumble fight of 1876

Correspondent—We haven't got through the list yet. Senator Morton, I suppose is not to be thought of any longer A politician who bowls about the rebellion and waves the bloody shirt after ten years of peace would not do to run for president in the centennial days of good will but what about Bristow and Jewell?

Pennsylvanian—Not available We must have a candidate without the least taint of Grantism about him There are other objections besides this Mr Bristow would have to run on his record in the treasury Outside of his career as a financier he has no particular strength Now the only way a candidate gets any popularity from connection with the national finances is by assaulting some real or imaginary monopoly—the bank monopoly for example—or making people believe as Mr Kelley does that he has some scheme to put money into their pockets Honest principles and prudent management are not winning cards As for Mr Jewell he has worn out his vein of pop laurity already He has made all the reforms he could in the post office department without encountering the fires of opposition He might make a good run by telling Grant that he would resign unless Delano was put out of the cabinet but he lacks the nerve to do that

Pennsylvanian—One thing we are not taking into account the enthusiasm over the centennial next year It may have a powerful influence on our politics and make all calculations at fault Some men of now splendid rep may be tarnished in the popular belief the old fashioned revolutionary statesman and nominal deities will shine every day We saw what a demonstration there was at Bunker Hill Next year every town and county and hamlet will be hooping over with enthusiasm turned into polished ancestor worship Patriotism must be hot it cannot be half warm on the Fourth of July celebrations and the Centennial Exhibition it may create a new party or take possession of the old

New Englander—There will unquestionably be a powerful sentiment in favor of purifying politics and returning to the simple high standard of the past and it will have the effect of compelling the old parties to make good nominations but the task will be strong enough to make a new party or take the two great national conventions out of the hands of the politicians I do not believe Reminder these observations will probably meet in June and the delegates to them will be elected in April before the centennial feeling gets very high

Correspondent—Do go back where we started That Mr Blaine the best man of all among those who have any chance to obtain the nomination What is the objection to him

New Englander—He never gets over the line that separates the politician from the statesman He is a remarkably able man—clear headed sagacious industrious and fair minded—but he will never reach the heights of true statesmanship We want a statesman for our centennial president

Correspondent—Where will you find him?

Pennsylvanian—Echo answers Where?

GENERAL NOTES

It looks a little as if the Boston sculptor who is to make Sumner's monument would have to go to Rome to get hints from some common Italian workman

Karl Ahlberg a Swede murdered a man in Louisiana to rob him of a hatful of advertisements printed to look like greenbacks which the Swede thought a great treasure

These notes are proposed for insertion in a second edition of Longfellow's Morituri Salutamus

And old Bill Allen though with Adam born
Still laughs up Furman and puts Death to scorn

An army order just issued seems to contemplate it as possible that the Indian agent would cheat the noble red man Is this view approved at Washington, or is it only the hostility of St Louis?

It is a funny quarrel that agitates just now the lively city of Paris The priests refuse to pray for the republic and the radicals are furious at the loss of these prayers though, of course they believe all praying mere humbug gery

An artificial spouting bath of sulphur water of the same temperature as the springs of Bolleine at Viterbo, was prepared in the Vatican for the use of the pope who had the rheumatism, but who recovered before the bath was ready

Edmond About is afraid that if they let the sea into the Desert of Sahara and keep it there Europe will lose the warm equatorial winds and become an Arctic wilderness Edmond will do well to examine that subject again and write on it later in life.

SELECTED MISCELLANY

What men want, says Bulwer, is not thought, its purpose, neither words nor the power to believe, but the will to labor

The progress of knowledge is like that of the sun—so slow that we cannot see it, but so sure as to change night into day

Superstition changes a man into a beast fanaticism makes him a wild beast, and despotism a beast of burden —*La Harpe*

To know a man, observe how he wins his object, rather than how he loses it, for when we fail, our pride supports us, when we succeed, it betrays us

Experience keeps a dear school but fools will learn in no other and scarcely in that for it is true we may give advice, but we cannot give conduct —*Franklin*

I never place much reliance on a man who is always telling what he would have done had he been there I have noticed that somehow this kind of people never get there "

Nemesis does not always follow immediately upon the guilty act, so that death, as to this world at least, is often a door of escape by which the guilty get out of the way of Nemesis before she comes up with them —*Hamerton.*

Money never can be well managed if sought solely through the greed of money for its own sake. In all meanness there is a defect of intellect as well as of heart and even the cleverness of avarice is but the cunning of imbecility —*Balzac*

The action of the New York Democracy has not been such this year as to excite much enthusiasm among the party papers in supporting them. In fact the peculation and dishonesty has been marvelous both in the state and municipal administrations during a twelve month past The latest deficiency is in the canal budget and amounts to over one million dollars The Albany *Journal* says this is rather below than above the amount and add

This deficiency must of course be made up by revenue raised by direct taxation and the exposures that have been made of the corruption and plundering of the canal ring show exactly how and why the deficiency has occurred But there usually is a deficiency in the canal budget in New York and there always will be so long as the canals are the property of the state and are managed by corrupt politicians no matter of what party though experience has shown that in this sort of jobbing the Democrats are the greater hogs

CHICAGO MERCHANTS ON INFLATION.—The *Tribune* of August 20th publishes a series of interviews with prominent Chicago gentlemen upon the subject of finance It seems to be the prevailing opinion among these gentlemen that inflation is not advisable All favor a return to specie payments and believe it can be done within the time fixed by congress Hon Chas B Farwell said I am against any increase of greenbacks but I have no objection to such increase of national bank notes as business may require I am in favor of retiring one million dollars greenbacks per month, which I think would soon bring currency on a sound basis I would not give any date for resumption but would gradually withdraw greenbacks as I have mentioned until such time as they were on a par with gold Then resumption would be effected without any detriment to the debtor class and without any convulsion of business In my opinion Mr Kelley's scheme would increase rather than lower the interest Collector Webster is also strongly opposed to inflation

JENNY LIND.—A London correspondent thus describes Jenny Lind as seen at a recent gathering. She dresses her hair in precisely the same style as when in America twenty five years ago It is but slightly tinged with gray and is nearly as full and flowing as of yore Age has more particularly left its imprint in the shape of crow's feet on her cheek and neck and at the corners of her eyes and mouth She has the same blended expression of firmness and sweetness of temper the same winning smile and the same simplicity of behavior She was dressed in a dark ash colored silk with rich India shawl thrown loosely over her shoulders On her head was a small straw hat bearing a short white plume She was accompanied by her husband, and two lovely daughters aged about eighteen and twenty looking very much as their gifted mother did at that age Mr Goldschmidt shows the effect of time and study His head is growing bald and shining as a white bean

The importance of a general and peaceful system of public education was never better illustrated than in the recent report of the Massachusetts Board of health which opens its extended review the census state "Within the area covered by the returns furnished by the boards and the relative intelligence of these is very accurately determined also the influence of various forms of ignorance on the general health The most striking fact is stated that except in Arizona and Louisiana the ratio of death is higher in Massachusetts than in any part of the United States Consumption diphtheria and typhoid fever are the prevailing forms of disease Carelessness and neglect of proper sanitary regulations are given as the general cause of a high death rate

A daily paper is to be started at Olympia on or about the 14th September

THE NORTHERN PACIFIC

THE BACK OF THE ROAD—REPORT OF PRESIDENT CASS—THE PLAN OF REORGANIZATION $40 000 000 NEEDED TO COMPLETE THE ROAD FROM LAKE TO COAST

[New York special to Philadelphia Time.]

New York Aug. 12—The Northern Pacific Railway with all the franchises of the company including the franchise to be a corporation and all the property of the company except those lands which have been patented and certified were sold by auction at noon to day on the custom house steps The sale was the result of a friendly suit instituted by the bondholders and the purchaser was Mr Johnston Livingston the chairman of the committee appointed by four fifths of the bondholders to bid the road in for them and the price paid was $100 000 On the 8th of March last the first meeting of the bondholders was held at the call of the directors of the company to confer and act concerning the interests of the road generally and especially in relation to a bill then pending in congress for the relief of the road Congress however, before the day of the meeting refused any measure of relief and the bondholders were thrown back upon themselves President Cass presented a report showing that first mortgage bonds had been issued to the amount of $31 600 000 and that $30 100 000 were then outstanding There were also out $732 500 in land scrip and land warrant bonds Land warrant bonds to the amount of $115 500 had been converted into land

THE FLOATING DEBT

Exclusive of interest due on the bonds was $684 000 and the interest then amounted to over $2 500 000 Besides these well funded claims there were the demands of stockholders who held $25 000 000 of stock most of which they had obtained from Jay Cooke as a premium to their bonds, and of owners of small amounts of preferred stock The assets consist of 660 miles of completed road in operation and self supporting in Minnesota Dakota and Washington Territory and 10 684 000 acres of land earned by the completion of that extent of road Only a small proportion of this land has been reduced to actual possession by the completion of surveys required by the government A committee composed of the men most heavily interested in the road was appointed and in their subsequent conferences they decided that the early completion of the road was the vital point to be secured and that as a preliminary the vast indebtedness must be wiped out On the 16th day of April they petitioned Judge Shipman to appoint a receiver for the road and Gen Cass was appointed On the 12th day of May Jay Cooke and Charlemagne Tower, the trustees of the mortgage united with the bondholders' committee and applied to the courts for a final decree of sale which was granted. The committee then called another convention of bondholders to meet on the 30th day of June and presented the following

SCHEME FOR RATIFICATION

First That a committee should be appointed to attend the sale of the road with a view to purchasing it for the benefit of the bondholders assenting to the condition of the plan

Second That after the purchase the capital stock should be fixed at $100 000 000 and divided into preferred and common

Third That preferred stock should be created to the amount of $40 000 000 to retire the first mortgage bonds and to cancel the land warrant bonds and to pay the floating debts That the preferred stock should have all the rights of common stock and that the holders should be entitled to such dividends, not exceeding 8 per cent as the net earnings of the road might suffice to pay and should be convertible at par value into any lands belonging to the company east of the Missouri river

Fourth That common stock should be issued to the amount of $49 000 000 but that the owners of it should have no right to vote upon it until after July 1 1878 and should receive no dividends except at the discretion of the directors and only when the net earnings might be sufficient to pay interest and sinking fund on the new proposed mortgage debt, and 8 per cent on the preferred stock this common stock to be issued in exchange for the old stock share for share

Fifth That new first mortgage bonds should be issued, not to exceed in average of $25 000 per mile of road actually completed and accepted by the president of the United States, to be secured by mortgage or mortgages which shall be a first or paramount lien on the whole line of the road constructed and to be constructed and the equipment, property lands and franchise of the company acquired and to be acquired

The terms to this plan were agreed to unanimously by the bondholders who assembled on the 30th of June, and have been, up to the present time, ratified by the holders of over $25 500 000 bonds out of the $40 000 000 in existence In ratifying the plan each bondholder authorized a committee known as the purchasing committee, to attend the proposed sale and bid in the road for him as a member of a bondholders cabal

WHAT SHALL BE DONE WITH THE PROCEEDS?

By the terms of Judge Shipman's decree of sale the proceeds are to be applied *seriatim* to the payment of court costs and legal expenses to the payment of balances due employes not to exceed $15 000 to the payment of right of way and land claims, not to exceed $10 000 to the payment of moneys advanced for interest or for labor and materials not exceeding $100 000 and finally to the payment, *pro rata* of bonds and interest outstanding Anticipating a high bid Judge Shipman ordered that $100 000 must be paid in cash on the day of sale the balance in cash within sixty days but at the sale to day the first and only bid was that $10 1000 and was offered by Johnston Livingston chairman of the purchasing committee The amount called in cash for larger bids and after calling $100 000—once—$100 000—twice—$100 000—three times he knocked it down at that price Mr Livingston exhibited his credentials as the representative of $25 500 000 of bonds and then proceeded to the marshal's office where the money was paid and the sale consummated Among those in attendance were Jay Cooke and Charlemagne Power, trustees of the mortgage Gen G W Cass a receiver of the road C B Wright, of Philadelphia president Samuel Wilkeson secretary, Mr Ware Judge Hoe of Midway and the following named members of the purchasing committee Johnston Livingston of New York Frederick Billings of Woodstock Vermont George Stark, of Lowell, Mass John D Macdonald of Pittsburg, Pa J F H Hutchinson of Philadelphia and J M Denison of Baltimore Under the adopted reorganization the road is now

OWNED BY THE BONDHOLDERS

Any one person who owns a bond of $1 000 can send it in and have it exchanged for $1 400 of preferred stock The amount of $1 100 per arrived at by its bearing the same relative proportion to $1 000 that the whole amount of $31 600 000 bears to the entire indebtedness of the road which is made up of mortgages $30 500 000 interest $1 000 000 land warrant bonds $732 000 floating debts amounting in all to the sum of $36 000 000 Each bondholder is to decide within a certain time probably sixty days whether it is for his interest to take the preferred stock or to accept in final settlement of his claim his share of the proceeds of the sale of the property As has already been shown the sale of the road franchise and property brought only $100 000 but there remains a large section of land in Minnesota directly tributary to Duluth of the road and already surveyed and patented which is to be sold next month This sale will necessarily put an end to the conversion of the present bonds and bring into the hands of the company $1 000 000 which will be used to push forward the enterprise and to build the 1 450 miles needed to connect the two sections already constructed The estimated cost of this new stretch of road is $40 000 000 and its completion will give the company 30,000 000 more acres of public lands

WHAT MR LIVINGSTON SAYS

Mr Livingston in a short communication to the master commissioners formally stated that he purchased the road in behalf of the bondholders The plan of reorganization will now be carried out The bonds will be called in at an early date by official notice of the purchasing committee The sale amounts to this That the bondholders take the company's charter and property in satisfaction of their claims against the corporation

WHAT JAY COOKE SAYS

Mr Cooke was very sanguine regarding the future of the road He says the company will now be enabled to begin anew free of debt, and with more than four hundred miles of road which has been operated for the past two years without loss despite the disaster that overtook the company in 1873 The road now constructed, Mr Cooke claims is just as good a piece of railroad as any in the country

We are out of the mire he said, and you may depend upon it, we will come out a long way ahead in the end In answer to the reporter's question whether Mr Cooke would continue to act as financial agent, that gentleman said this was one of the questions to be settled in the future Mr Cooke returns to Philadelphia this morning

WHAT SECRETARY WILKINSON SAYS

Stockholders and bondholders will be speedily requested to send their bonds and stock to the Farmers Loan and Trust Company, which has taken the agency of issuing preferred stock for the bonds and new common stock for the old stock In conversation last night Mr Wilkinson said The price at which the road was sold will compel every bondholder and stockholder to come into the organization, for otherwise they will get nothing or next to nothing There is one thing more to say said he, and that is that never before in the history of American railroads has a foreclosure of a mortgage been accomplished with so much celerity, economy and integrity

POLITICAL NOTES

Philadelphia *Times* Peace will run in 1876. Will not some devoted admirer whisper the golden truth to Oliver P Morton before he swells the measure of his folly?

There are 62,000 voters in Ohio who did not vote last year, and the Republicans hope to get the votes of a large number of those fellows this year—and so do the Democrats

The Boston *Commonwealth* has private information that the New York Democrats propose to raise $200 000 to re-elect Governor Gaston with the intention of making him their presidential candidate in 1876

In one respect, 1876 is 1867 over again Now, as then there is one man and only one in the country who is seen to be a possible and winning candidate for either party His name in '67 was Grant his name in '76 is Adams—*Springfield Republican*

Harlan's Washington *Chronicle* (Rep) declares that when a congressional committee begins to investigate the management of the Washington navy yard "a big bonanza of fraud will be struck that will drive all previous exposures into insignificance"

Gov Tilden is called a pretty straight Democrat but while pleading the other day at Buffalo for purity of administration he said "If parties put the names of those on their tickets not true to your interests, then you must remind them of the right of every American citizen to vote for somebody else"

Philadelphia *Ledger* (ind) Mr Delano himself may be as straight and as pure as an archangel but the interior department has lost the confidence of the country and that is not the question for the great department of the government of the United States to be in

The *World* says Of course democrats consented to the insertion of the financial plank in the Ohio platform or it could not have been put there, but they weakly consented to it in the hope that it would be good bait for republican gudgeons Now will it tell us how it thinks the bait takes?

Says the Chicago *Tribune* Two weeks after Mr Kelley howled his mournful howl at Youngstown over the financial decadence of England the crushing of its industries under the weight of a gold currency et cetera, the Bank of England reduced its rate of discount to 2½ per cent and consols rose to 93¾ per cent

Governor Kellogg of Louisiana, seems to be redeeming himself The public journals of all shades of political opinion speak in very high terms of two appointments recently made by him—that of Judge H C Dibble to be assistant attorney-general and that of Hon Hiram R Steele to be judge of the superior criminal court

The Chicago *Inter Ocean* is boiling over at the idea of agricultural address in Illinois from Jeff Davis and the same paper throws 'Ku Klux' into the faces of Mississippi editors visiting Chicago but somehow it is entirely oblivious to the existence of banditti in Wilkinson county That comes of being an organ

This is Morrissey's idea of the mayor of New York "Wickham puts me in mind of people I have seen hanging around a gambling house They are broke you know and are willing to go on errands of any kind or description until somebody gives them a little stake and finally they make a winning of $100 or $500 After that you can't get near enough to them to hit them with a shotgun"

A few months ago says the Louisville *Courier-Journal*, the 'color line' seemed to be permanently established in Mississippi The negroes drew it against the whites, and the negroes, as the late Democratic state convention, however that party adds Mr Lamar raised the standard of liberalism and before he had half finished his speech the color line policy was so dead that the first test vote sent it to the wall under such overwhelming disapprobation that it did not dare to show its front again

Chorpenning the mail contractor, seems likely to have his million-dollar dream dished Chorpenning and Woods and got the contract for carrying the mails from Salt Lake City to California in 1851 The correct remuneration for this service was $150 000, but the sum of $218 506 was allowed Chorpenning which he did not deem sufficient for the risk of exposing his scalp to the Indians his partner having been killed by that original method In 1870 he so engineered his claims that Postmaster General Creswell added the snug little sum of $413 000 to the former amount but the resolution confirming the award was repealed, and Chorpenning has been nagging and nagging for the money ever since

WOULDN'T BREAK HIS WORD.—The most astonishing instance of a man's regard for his word was recently given by a man who killed his wife whom he did not like When asked why he did not go off and leave her instead of killing her, he replied jocosely that he had promised on the wedding day to live with her until death should part them, and that he was not the man to break his word

During the trial of the case of Father O'Keefe against Cardinal Cullen in Dublin in the course of the cross examination of Cardinal Cullen the plaintiff said the discipline varied in different dioceses for instance in the archdiocese of Cashel he would be suspended if he took a glass of whisky before dinner but in his own diocese he would not be suspended if he took two Baron Dowse remarked that he might not be suspended but he would be prostrated

The decline in many of the stocks in the San Francisco board which has been noticed during the past few days is probably owing in a great measure to the much closer condition of the money market which our exchanges from that city report as amounting almost to a stringency

ASTORIA—PRESENT AND FUTURE

ASTORIA Aug 23, 1875

There are few towns in Oregon that have made more steady progress during the last two years than Astoria Its location almost at the mouth of the finest river on the Pacific coast, within twelve miles of the ocean, having a magnificent bay of great extent deep water and good anchorage gives it great advantages for shipping It is steadily and rapidly establishing itself as the place where large vessels will load with wheat for foreign ports where they will be promptly loaded and quickly dispatched to sea thereby saving time securing moderate charges for pilotage towage insurance and harbor dues The great improvements recently made in buoying the channel the efficient attention paid by pilots and towboats to the arrival and departure of shipping have already removed three fourths of the imaginary terrors of the bar, so that in due time masters of vessels will think no more of crossing the bar than entering any harbor on the Pacific coast

As a matter of course the commence of the state of things in the Columbia river will increase its freights and other shipping charges are reduced, will produce a benefit to cultivation and production be advanced, the resources of the country be developed and the industrious classes be profited There will be an advance along the whole line of what tends to make people comfortable and independent and the state rich and influential

The beautiful climate of the spring, summer and fall months, the exceedingly healthy atmosphere of the whole year the charming watering places on the neighboring bays and ocean beach, and the ample facilities for travel on the rivers and bays to and from Astoria make it the center of great attraction for visiting excursionists and tourists The natural results are that population is increasing, new and improved buildings are going up all the time real estate is advancing, business has doubled during the past year, lumber could not be got to meet the demand for improvement No matter where you go, in every part of the town you see improvements going on that indicate increasing business and improved taste

Col Taylor is about building a wharf and warehouse that will connect with Mr Farrell's sawmill Mr Farrell is going to extend his wharf to connect with Capt Flavel's wharf Capt Flavel is extending his wharf to connect with Mr Holladay So that in a short time there will be a continuous line of wharves a mile long

The farmers warehouse is being enlarged one-fourth its present size, making it 600 feet long with wharfage and storage accommodation capable of loading six large wheat vessels at the same time

Badollet & Co. are preparing to enlarge their salmon canning establishment double its present capacity in time for next season's canning

Leinenweber & Co have commenced enlarging their tannery twice the size of its present annual production Last year they tanned 5 000 hides of sole harness and skirting leather, besides a large quantity of skins for all kinds of shoe leather Their tannery ranks among the best and largest in the state They have a demand for all the leather they can make on a basis of from 30 to 90 days' time.

Mr I W. Case, the mayor of Astoria, is building one of the finest stores in town, that will be occupied in a few weeks Capt. Flavel intends building a number of good stores on the same block, facing the Occident Hotel This is another step in the right direction.

Messrs Wygant & Devlin are preparing to build a cannery for curing salmon, between the Farmers Warehouse and Booth & Co's cannery They will be ready to commence business at the beginning of the curing season, on the 1st of April next

Mr J C Trautinger is building a wharf at the upper end of the town preparatory to erecting a lumber mill that will be valuable for assisting in meeting the wants of the improvements in progress.

The government have determined to build a harbor lighthouse, a buoy and lighthouse depot at Smith's point that will be of great service to the arrival and departure of vessels to and from the bay Colonel Taylor has made a grant of land for these buildings

Mr Hume lately of Dresden, has decided to open a banking house in Astoria principally for the purpose of making advances on cargoes of wheat He will command for this purpose a capital of $3 000,000

The Pacific Mail Steamship Company have decided to put on a line of powerful steamers to run from San Francisco to Astoria that will make the round trip in seven days and charge about $15 fare in the cabin, and $10 in the steerage, and freights in proportion These steamers will connect with the boats on the Columbia and Willamette rivers

The tendency of the curing and canning of

The Daily Oregonian.

FRIDAY MORNING, AUGUST 27, 1875.

SUSPENSION OF THE BANK OF CALIFORNIA.

At 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon the startling intelligence reached this city by telegraph that the Bank of California, one of the leading financial establishments on the Pacific coast, and second in the volume of its transactions to but few if any, in the United States, had suspended. Nothing of a similar character has so excited the people of Portland in her history before, or so suddenly become the subject of general talk. Of course growing out of the report of the suspension were rumors of failures, great losses and complete panic. Unfortunately for our readers the wire broke in Southern Oregon before our dispatches were sent, and we are unable to give any particulars concerning the suspension, except the fact that at the hour mentioned Messrs. Ladd & Tilton received a telegram from the officers of the bank saying that they were compelled to suspend payments at 2:30 P. M.

What the liabilities of the institution are, it is impossible to form an idea at this distance, and with the meagre information at our hands. Their transactions recently have been enormously large, running from twenty to twenty-seven millions of dollars per day, and it is feared that their liabilities are correspondingly [illegible] hoped and believed by some, who are conversant to some extent with the nature of their business, that their assets are amply sufficient, when made available, which it is thought can be readily done, to meet their entire obligations.

Mr. Davenport, who, for a number of years, has occupied a prominent position in the counting house of the suspended bank, is now in our city, and we are informed he cannot venture to assign any very probable reason for the suspension. The news surprised him as much as it did our own citizens, and he is utterly at a loss to account for it. The supposition most generally entertained is, that having drained its vaults to supply the large demand made by stock speculators and grain buyers, it still might have bridged over, but that the projectors of the contemplated Bank of Nevada, a rival institution soon to be opened in San Francisco, having an intimation that it was in an extremity, seized upon the opportunity to cause a rush upon, and at least cripple, if not entirely break it down. Flood & O'Brien, owners of the famous and rich Consolidated Virginia mine, have for some months been supposed to have designs upon the Bank of California, and considerable talk has been had, if not actual negotiations entered into by them, looking to its purchase, but no terms could be agreed on. The new bank of F. & O. has not yet been opened, but the suspended bank stood apparently in their way, and to get it down or to one side would, of course, leave them a fine opening, and hence, without definite information on the subject, people will attribute the suspension, in some way, to causes set in motion by those who would have a motive in accomplishing the result. Mr. Davenport mentioned above is quite hopeful that the suspension of the bank will be temporary and will last but a few days at most, he being more familiar with its business than any one else in our State, or elsewhere, unless it be the president, W. C. Ralston, or the cashier, Mr. Brown. He thinks also that depositors will not suffer at all, as the assets of the corporation are in all probability ample to satisfy every demand of that nature.

The prolonged suspension of the bank would prove a serious detriment to trade interests at this juncture, and we trust that the worst may not confirm the fears that some entertain. The business carried on by it for some time past was not regarded by first-class financiers as a strictly legitimate banking business, but rather powerful and large operations in stocks and other speculative enterprises. Only the enormous wealth of its shareholders and managers, it is said, has brought it through more than one very tight place before, and we hope, for the good of the commercial interests of the coast, the present difficulty may be quickly surmounted.

A LOW-PRICED ALDERMAN.

The city of St. Paul is somewhat exercised over the derelictions of one of its city fathers, Alderman Fisher, and the mayor has preferred charges against him. Fisher appears to have been for some years back almost constantly in the habit of selling, or offering to sell, his influence and voto on every measure before the council in which there was any money. He seems to have been a low priced fellow, his vote being given, according to the specifications in the mayor's charges, for about the following figures: Voting to accept a street railway, $200; voting to allow a claim for $1,000 damages for the breaking of a leg, $75; for giving a contract to furnish 17 tons of hay, $34, or $2 per ton; for voting to confirm the appointment of policemen, $10 each. Fisher has probably been a very persistent candidate for the non-paying office of councilman, and has held it for several terms. At his low figures there has not, perhaps, been "millions in it," but he has been able, doubtless, to keep the wolf from the door. He is now on trial, the council sitting as an impeaching body in his case.

FIGURE HEADS.

It seems that even the organs of the chief of the White House are becoming disloyal to their master. The following editorial paragraph in the Washington *Chronicle* astonishes us.

Notwithstanding the fact that every cabinet officer is out of town, the government machine seems to run along about as usual, which suggests to many persons the idea that if the government can run itself all summer, there is little need of paying extravagantly for figure-heads to stay in Washington during the winter.

This is rank heresy, my-masters!—treason of the darkest kind. What will Grant at Long Branch say of such disrespectful language on the part of his pet organ?—Will not Belknap read, in the seclusion of the Rocky Mountains or by the golden shores of the Pacific, this pointed allusion to "figure-heads," and hie him back to his post? The Washington organs begin to feel their oats, and the administration ought to suspend the bread basket a little higher. Too much government pap has made them saucy. Only a few days ago, the *Republican*, even, dared to utter a growl at the Indian ring, and intimated mildly that a little more regard to the principles of honesty would be highly politic, and greatly "add to the well merited praise which some of the figure-heads" had gained by the prosecution of swindlers of the government.

MINDING ONE'S OWN BUSINESS.

Some of the party organs appear to be much more exercised about the position of the OREGONIAN and its editor than they are concerning their own future. Now, we would advise these gentlemen to pay more attention to the condition of affairs in their own party, and it will be full as well for them. The OREGONIAN claims, and will exercise the right to say what course it shall take in the pending campaign and all other campaigns, regardless of the dictation of any set of political tricksters, professional wire-pullers or dark-lantern caucus schemers.

We might also briefly allude, in this connection to the puny efforts of one Turner, who, to the mental distress of its readers, has control of the *Temperance* (so-called) *Star*, of this city, to gain further notoriety by the publication of a lot of his silly twaddle about what this, that or the other should have told Tom, Dick or Harry that Smith, Jones, [illegible] said to somebody on some occasion on the streets of Portland or somewhere else. The editor of the OREGONIAN is absent this week, and if there is anything worthy a reply in the *Star's* article we have no doubt he will attend to it with due diligence on his return to the city.

In the meantime, all those gentlemen who are so sorely troubled on our behalf have our earnest sympathy and fatherly advice to look to their own business with greater care, and the position of the OREGONIAN will be a source of less vexation to their troubled spirits. We have known many people who amassed a very handsome competence in this world's goods, and gained a name for good judgment and sound sense, by heeding the injunction intimated in the heading of this brief paragraph.

THE BONN CONVENTION.

The old Catholic convention, which met at Bonn, Prussia, on the 6th inst., adjourned on the 14th. It was international in its character, and was participated in by a number of American divines. The object of the convention, as stated in the call, was to "promote a renewal and general recognition of those great Christian truths which form the substance of the definitions set forth in the creeds of the primitive undivided church, and to which the larger religious communities of Christendom, by perseverance in their loyalty to the faith and organization of the early church, still profess to cling." The "Old" or primitive Catholic church was peculiarly free from dogmatism and ecclesiasticism; and it is in the interest of a return of the church of Rome to original broad-gauge principles that Dr. Dollinger, who is the head and front of this move, called the convention. Of the practicability of a move in this direction time only will develop, but the declared object, to "establish a real bond of union between Christian churches," is certainly a commendable one.

It seems almost incredible that in this land of public schools and general enlightenment there should be found a large populous city where a belief in witchcraft still counts numerous adherents. Yet such is the case in Cincinnati. A portion of the German element in that city is deeply infected with this superstition. The German papers are filled with stories about a terrible old witch who has bewitched a number of children, and the poor things would certainly have died but for the presence of a German witch charmer, by whom they were saved. This quack, who calls himself Prof. Schilling, confessed to the reporters that he not only believed in witchcraft himself, but that he possessed a charm to counteract its effects by incantations. Several German women, too, in speaking with the reporters, were eloquent in their praise of this wonderful man. In the beds of the bewitched all kinds of "horrible things" are discovered, such as balls of feathers in the shape of bats. The quack will not suffer that the women show these things to the men, but he insists that they should be immediately burnt; the witch being, as he asserts, burnt at the same time. The formula which Schilling employs during the burning of the feathers is as follows: "You old witch, I burn you to the devil. In body and soul, liver and lungs, heart and veins, marrow and bone, must you burn!" etc.

One of our exchanges tells a good thing from West Point. It is of a new cadet, named Irwin, who entered the institution only last June. About two weeks ago, as Irwin was walking his post about midnight, several of the older cadets of a class higher undertook to haze him, and aimed to roll him down the side bank of Fort Clinton. Instead of yielding he stabbed one of his assailants with the bayonet of his musket, and then clubbed his weapon and put it on the heads of two others. The proud spectacle of the three older boys attacking one younger closed pleasantly in the complete defeat of the three. They had to be taken to the hospital on litters. It was a capital performance for Irwin, and if he is allowed to finish his course he will make a good man for the army. People, however, can begin to expect stories of the misinterpretation of motive and of the perfectly innocent design of the hazing party, and so on. The fact remains that Annapolis and West Point both have a very bad name for hazing, and now that a cadet has been found able and willing to punish a cowardly party who attacked him, it is to be hoped that he and they too will be suitably rewarded, and that his conduct may serve to warn against such performances hereafter.

We apprehend that the American people will not want to "purify" and "elevate" to statesmanship many more sets of congressmen at the same expense or in the same way that those men referred to in the following exerpt from the San Francisco *Examiner* were "purified" and "elevated."

Probably in the annals of an American congress, no eighty-six men, *en masse*, ever voted or acted with more determination to do their full duty to the country, than will be exconfederates who are shortly to take part in Federal legislation. They have passed a fiery ordeal which, in our opinion, has purified and will elevate them to the highest standard of American statesmanship. In the keeping of such men the liberties of the people are in no danger.

Count Von Arnim, in whose behalf the plea of ill-health was so pathetically urged, is now pronounced by his physicians to be nearly well. It looks very much as if the plea of ill-health was made for a purpose.

The Ohio campaign is recognized as using up democratic presidential timber pretty rapidly. Thurman and Allen, and even Pendleton leave their quietus, and now apprensions are turned toward Governor Hendricks. Some maneuvre is to be resorted to to keep him quiet, and not allow him to expend his life on inflation. Three killed generals is all they want.

Southern papers indicate that the democracy south are becoming restive at the subordinate position they have been obliged to occupy so long. They propose to demand hereafter fuller recognition than has been accorded them, and will probably inaugurate their contest next winter in the house.

The report has been in circulation that ex-President Johnson had $50,000 insurance on his life. This proves to be an error. He has not, at any time, been so situated as to be able to pay $17,600 yearly for premiums on policies—and thus did not have the large sum referred to on his life.

DIED.

In Salem, August 25, Mabel Pearl, infant daughter of Robert and Fannie A. Reid.

In Seattle, Aug. 17, infant child of Mr. and Mrs. R. Collins.

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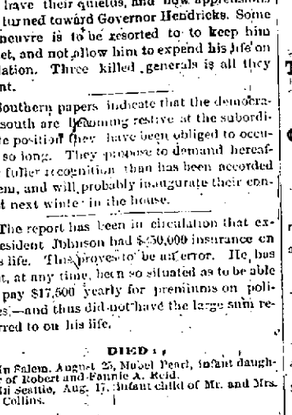

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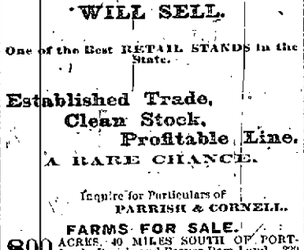

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STUDIES WILL BE RESUMED AT ST. MARY'S Academy, in this city, on Monday, Aug. 30th. Parents and Guardians are requested to send Pupils promptly int. the commencement of the scholastic year, so that they may enter their classes at the commencement of studies. au16dtsep1

ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE.

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The Anglo-German Institute,
FOR YOUNG GIRLS,

IN CARE OF REV. JOHN GANTENBEIN, WITH his Daughters as Teachers, has been reopened in the CHAPEL of the GERMAN EV. REF. CONGREGATION, on Washington street, below Third.

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About September 1st, Mr. Gantenbein expects to remove the School to the Beth Israel School House, corner of Oak and Sixth streets.

Applications for admission are to be addressed to the Director,
REV. JOHN GANTENBEIN,
au24d6t N.E. cor. Fifth and C streets.

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Mrs. M. P. SPILLER, Preceptress.

THE SCHOOL YEAR CONSISTS OF THREE Terms, beginning respectively on the first Wednesday of September and March.
In the University the Tuition is $45 per year; in the Academy, $30 per year, payable per term in advance. Board $3 to $4 per week.
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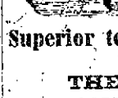

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THE COPARTNERSHIP HERETOFORE EXisting between C. H. Perkins and D. J. Quimby in conducting the St. Charles Hotel is this day dissolved by mutual consent. Mr. D. J. Quimby retires. C. H. Perkins will from and after date conduct said business, assume all liabilities and collect all debts due the late firm.
C. H. PERKINS,
D. J. QUIMBY.
Portland, August 23, 1875. a26d1w.

RECEIVER'S NOTICE.
BY ORDER OF THE COURT I WILL SETTLE the liabilities and collect the outstanding accounts of McGINN & WOLFE. Those interested please call soon at my office, with Atkinson & Wakefield, Front and Stark streets. I am instructed to wind up the affairs of the firm as soon as possible.
a23d6t ANDREW HILL, Receiver.

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A DOSE OF MIND.—A gentleman just from Clackamas county, tells of a rough practical joke, which was played on a singing school teacher last Sunday, at a schoolhouse that stands on Molalla prairie, by a number of young roustlums. It seems that the teacher, who, for convenience sake, we will call Prof. —, was instructing a class in vocal music in that neighborhood. For some reason he had become very unpopular with his pupils, especially with a number of boys and young men, so much so that they resolved to "get even" in some way. A plan was at length concocted, and successfully carried into effect. It was as follows: Procuring a bucket, with a capacity of about four gallons, the joker filled it nearly full of soft mud. They then placed it above the front door and placed it on a pivot. A string was attached to the bottom of the bucket, which extended down between the ceiling and weatherboarding of the building, to the floor, and along under the floor to a window on the outside. When undisturbed the bucket hung level, but a pull on the cord would capsize it, and dash the filthy contents down to the floor. The plan having been matured and carried out so stealthily that only a few participating in the joke knew about it. Matters were thus arranged, and it was understood that when the professor entered the building on Sunday, to take charge of his class, the contents of the bucket were to be emptied on him. Before he made his appearance, the little school house was filled with young ladies and gentlemen—pupils and spectators. A boy was stationed at the window, with instructions that the instant the singing teacher entered the threshold, he was to give the string a vigorous jerk. Previous to the professor was seen to hastily ascend the steps and an instant later came on at the door. Away went the string, and down came several gallons of soft mud on the unsuspecting head of the teacher, who was completely covered. Result: a slightly (?) irritated instructor of gamut, scale and octave, and a spoiled suit of clothes. Several ladies, who were sitting near the door, came in for a share of the contents, and went home with soiled dresses. The unexpected event produced a scene of excitement and commotion, which was as ludicrous as it was novel, and mere profanity was indulged in quite freely. During the excitement which followed the boys scampered off and made good their escape. However, the irate teacher of melody and lard many has obtained the names of those who put the job up, and he proposes to make it expensive for them.

SLIGHT INACCURACIES.—Some weeks ago an account was given in this paper of the capture of a large buck, near Kalama, by the crew of the little steamer *Maria Wilkins*. The animal was swimming across the Columbia, and had reached a point nearly midway of the stream when the captain of the boat discovered it, and bore down on it with a full head of steam. After a lively and exciting time, the animal was captured. In the last issue of the *Police News*, published in New York, we observe that account from the OREGONIAN, and illustrated in a highly sensational style. We have nothing to say as to the account of the deer's capture, but the illustration is decidedly a "fancy sketch" of the affair. In the first place, the lordly Columbia is represented as an insignificant stream, quite narrow, and hemmed in by huge perpendicular walls of rock, several hundred feet high; and, secondly, the *Maria Wilkins* is made to appear as a very small *propeller*. With these trifling inaccuracies, the cut is very life-like.

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CITY.

LAYING THE CORNER-STONE.—For some days a number of men have been engaged in excavating for the foundation of the new hall to be erected at the corner of Fourth and Yamhill streets, by the Turn Verein Society of this city. The excavation is about completed, and masons have commenced laying the brick foundation. Timbers for the frame are already on the ground, and carpenters are busily employed in putting them in proper shape for raising. Last evening, at 6 o'clock, the cornerstone of the new hall was formally laid, in the presence of a large crowd. The signal for the commencement of the ceremonies was an appropriate air discovered by the Portland City Band, the members of which kindly volunteered on the occasion. Following the music Mr. Levy, the secretary of the society, arose and addressed the members present in German, in which he stated the object for which they had been called together. He then produced the box, and, assisted by several members of the society, proceeded to deposit a number of articles. The following articles were deposited: A copy of the constitution and by-laws of the Turn Verein Society, number of quaint and ancient coins—American and German—copies of the DAILY OREGONIAN, *Journal*, *Bulletin*, and *Deutsche Zeitung*, and a list of the members of the Turn Verein Society at the present time. Amidst the sweet and subdued strains of the band, the lid of the box was carefully placed on, and the same was placed in the receptacle cut out of a solid block of stone, and covered from human sight. When this was done, Mr. A. LeGrande was introduced, and delivered a short address in German. Three loud cheers were given with a hearty will when he closed. Sylvester Rice, Esq., a young attorney in this city, and a member of the society was next introduced by Mr. Levy, and delivered an English a brief but very appropriate address, which was also received with three cheers. A lively gallop followed with the familiar strains of the "Watch on the Rhine," was given by the band in a spirited style, and the ceremonies were at an end. Immediately after the members formed in line, and preceded by music, marched down to the saloon, corner of Stark and Second streets, where a glass of lager was indulged in, several songs were rendered and a social time experienced for half an hour or more when the crowd separated.

A DOSE OF MUD.—A gentleman just from Clackamas county, tells of a rough practical joke, which was played on a singing school teacher last Sunday, at a schoolhouse that stands on Molalla prairie, by a number of young hoodlums. It seems that the teacher, who, for convenience sake, we will call Prof. M——, was instructing a class in vocal music, in that neighborhood. For some reason he had become very unpopular with his pupils, especially with a number of boys and young men, so much so that they resolved to "get even" in some way. A plan was at length concocted, and successfully carried into effect. It was as follows: Procuring a bucket, with a capacity of about four gallons, the jokers filled it nearly full of soft mud. They then placed it above the front door and placed it on a pivot. A string was attached to the bottom of the bucket, which extended down between the ceiling and weatherboarding of the building, to the floor, and along under the floor to a window on the outside. When undisturbed the bucket hung level, but a pull on the cord would capsize it, and dash the filthy contents down to the floor. The plan had been matured and carried out so stealthily, that only a few participating in the joke knew about it. Matters were thus arranged, and it was understood that when the professor entered the building on Sunday, to take charge of his class, the contents of the bucket were to be emptied on him. Before he made his appearance, the little school house was filled with young ladies and gentlemen—pupils and spectators. A boy was stationed at the window, with instructions that the instant the singing teacher crossed the threshold, he was to give the string a vigorous jerk. Presently the professor was seen to hastily ascend the steps and an instant later came in at the door. Away went the string, and down came several gallons of soft mud on the unsuspecting head of the teacher, who was completely covered. Result: a slightly (?) irritated instructor of gamut, scale and octave, and a spoiled suit of clothes. Several ladies, who were sitting near the door, came in for a share of the contents, and went home with soiled dresses. The unexpected event produced a scene of excitement and commotion which was as ludicrous as it was novel, and mental profanity was indulged in quite freely. During the excitement which followed the boys scampered off and made good their escape. However, the irate teacher of melody and harmony has obtained the names of those who put the job up, and he proposes to make it tropical for them.

SMART INSOLENCE.—Some weeks ago an account was given in this paper of the capture of a large buck, near Kalama, by the crew of the little steamer *Maria Willms*. The animal was swimming across the Columbia, and had reached a point nearly midway of the stream when the captain of the boat discovered it and bore down on it with a full head of steam. After a lively and exciting time the animal was captured. In the last issue of the *Police News*, published in New York, we observe the account from the OREGONIAN, and illustrated in a highly sensational style. We have nothing to say as to the account of the deer's capture, but the illustration is decidedly a "fancy sketch" of the artist. In the first place, the lordly Columbia is represented as an insignificant stream, quite narrow, and hemmed in by huge perpendicular walls of rock, several hundred feet high; and, secondly, the *Maria Willms* is made to appear as a very small *propeller*. With these trifling inaccuracies, the cut is very life-like.

STATE BOARD OF IMMIGRATION.—From the evening cotemporary we learn that this board has employed Mr. George W. Brown, of Ogden (junction of Union and Central Pacific Railroad), for one year as their agent there for distributing pamphlets, circulars, maps and other information on all the emigrant and passenger cars bound to San Francisco. We understand, also, that the Eastern office, at Boston, of the Oregon State Board of Immigration, under the charge of Henry Villard, Esq., have an agent at Omaha, there distributing printed information about Oregon in the cars to the emigrants going West, while at San Francisco the State Board of Immigration have an office at 504 Battery street to receive all Eastern immigrants and Californians wishing to go to Oregon, and afford them whatever information may be desired. W. K. Leveridge, of Leveridge, Wadhams & Co., San Francisco, is the Oregon commissioner in charge of that office.

STATE TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.—Messrs. J. G. Wright, R. H. Dearborn and T. H. Crawford, local committee, desires us to state that special arrangements have been made for the accommodation of teachers and others in attendance at the institute at reduced rates at the hotels of Salem. We hope to see a large and representative delegation of the educators and friends of education from all parts of the state. We presume the executive committee have made application for reduced rates over the various lines of travel and will give due notice of the same."

FOR YAKIMA.—Mr. Wm. Masters and family left this city last Monday morning for their new home in Yakima, where they propose to reside permanently. Mr. Masters has been a prominent business man of this city for many years, always deporting himself honorably and uprightly. He has been connected with the Taylor street M. E. Sabbath school for nearly twenty years, in which connection he will now be greatly missed. Numerous friends unite in wishing him and his family great prosperity in their new abode.

STATE S. S. CONVENTION POSTPONED.—In consequence of inability to secure the attendance of a quorum of the executive committee to arrange programme, it may be understood that the Union State Sunday School Convention will not be held on the 31st of August and two succeeding days, as heretofore announced. Timely notice will be given if arrangements are made for a meeting at a later day.

DELEGATES.—The following delegates have been elected to the State Temperance Union, which meets at Salem on the 21st of September: Nonpareil Lodge No. 66—E. W. Ryan, C. A. Raymon, E. J. Thomas. Portland Lodge No. 201—Rev. D. J. Pierce, Mrs. L. F. Turner, T. C. Humphrey. Alternates—W. C. Nyon, Ora J. Sparks.

CHANGES.—We are informed that several changes are to be made in the public schools of the city among the teachers. Owing to the increased attendance at the Harrison street school, a new teacher has been employed—a Miss Harrison. Miss Bodley, who has been connected for some time with the school, was recently married, and has retired, and Miss Clark has been appointed to supply the vacancy created. Miss Gibson, who for several years has been a teacher in the Central school, removed some time since to San Francisco, and Miss Fanny Holman has been transferred from the North school—not to take her place, though the grades have been changed in numbers somewhat. Miss Mary Frary has been added to the Central school as a teacher in the sixth grade, which requires two teachers the ensuing term. Mrs. Crawford has been employed to take Miss Holman's place in the North school. Mrs. Burrage has declined to continue as teacher in the public school during the coming term. Rev. John Rosenberg will continue to be the teacher of German in the schools.

STEAMER SAILED.—At 12 o'clock, sharp, yesterday, the steamer *John L. Stephens* sailed from this port for San Francisco, carrying hence the following passengers: Geo. F. Wilson, Lieut. F. W. Boutelle and wife, Thomas Charman, A. S. Knox, John Angel, N. E. Mills, W. E. Minick, Geo. F. Otis, Jas. McCraken, Mrs. Baby and daughter, Mr. Martin, Mr. Lyon, L. B. Seelye, Howard Winter, Nicholas S. Snyder, J. Seiling, Miss Allison, Mrs. Holmes, Mrs. Ashburner, Miss Sweringen, Mrs. Vedder and child, George H. Clark and wife, Judge Field, C. J. Martin and wife, Sam'l Ray and wife, Mrs. Winter and daughter, Geo. W. Clark and wife, Jas. N. Butler, A. F. Cumming, A. DeTurk, S. Barnard, J. W. Hendrick, W. F. & Co's messenger and 32 in steerage.

COLLATION.—Last evening, a splendid collation was given at the St. Charles hotel, on the occasion of the retirement of Mr. D. J. Quimby, that gentleman and Mr. C. H. Perkins having dissolved partnership relations, a few days ago. The collation was prepared by Mr. Al. Marvin, steward of the St. Charles hotel, and Chas. Farley, steward of the American Exchange, and was an excellent one. About fifty persons—invited guests—were present, and a very enjoyable time was experienced.

NEW PRINCIPAL.—Rev. T. F. Royal having resigned the principalship of the Portland Academy and Female Seminary, will repair immediately to the Siletz Indian reservation and assume charge of the department of instruction with Agent J. H. Fairchild. This change would occasion more regret to the friends of the institution, were it not that the new principal, Rev. L. G. Herron, A. M., a graduate of the Ohio Wesleyan University, comes with such favorable record as an educator.

CONFERENCE AT CANBY.—A camp meeting will be held at the conference camp ground, at Canby, including the third sabbath in next month. We learn that the grounds are in excellent order, the new fence erected last year having fully accomplished its purpose, namely, keeping out all stock. Public services have been held on the grounds steadily during the summer to fair congregations.

WEATHER REPORT.—From the records of the U. S. Signal Station of Observation, Portland, Oregon, August 26, 1875:

	7 A.M.	2 P.M.	9 P.M.
Thermometer	59°	66°	60°
Wind, direction	Calm.	S.	N.
Wind, velocity	0	1	3
Weather	Cloudy.	Fair.	Clear.
Maximum temperature			68°

DRAMATIC AND MUSICAL.—A dramatic and musical performance, for the benefit of the Catholic Social Union, will be given at Ankeny's New Market Theater on the evenings of Thursday, Friday and Saturday, September 16th, 17th and 18th. The characters in the drama and afterpieces will be rendered by the members of the Union.

BEING PLANKED.—Work is going forward on Capt. Scott's new boat which lies on the ways just above Smith's sawmill, in the upper portion of the city. The hull is being planked, the floor of the deck laid, and the frame for the cabin is up. From appearances, the new craft will be ready to launch before long.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.—By reference to the appropriate column it will be seen that arrangements will be consummated to-day for the prompt payment in San Francisco of all checks drawn by the banking-house of Ladd & Tilton on the Bank of California.

INDIAN AGENT APPOINTED.—Judge Tallafero, who for many years has been a citizen of Wasco county, has been appointed Indian agent at the Umatilla reservation, vice Major Cornoyer, resigned.

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

RELIGIOUS, LOCAL, PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

(From the Advocate.)

Bishop Kavanaugh is to preside over the Columbia annual conference of the M. E. church South, shortly to be held in this state.

There will be a camp-meeting held on the Conference camp ground, commencing on the 10th of September. The Clear Creek quarterly meeting will be held in connection.

Rev. Geo. W. Roork was appointed by the bishop to the East Tualatin circuit, instead of E. A. Judkins, who was appointed to Corvallis. In the list of appointments as published last week, Mr. Roork's name should have appeared at East Tualatin, instead of L. T. Woodward's.

Rev. L. T. Woodward has been compelled, by reason of ill health, to take a transfer to California, where he hoped the climate will be more favorable for his recovery than this. His experience as an educator, preacher in charge, and presiding elder, will make him useful wherever he goes.

The Rocky Mountain conference of the M. E. church was in session in Salt Lake City last week. Bishop Haven was the presiding officer. Fifteen members answered to the roll call, among whom were Revs. C. C. Stratton and C. Smith, formerly of this state. Helena, Montana, was selected as the next place for holding the conference.

BRIEF NOTES.

WEEKLY OREGONIAN in wrappers now ready.

The California bank suspension was the town talk yesterday.

Rev. D. J. Pierce and Bishop Morris have returned from the seaside.

A new cistern-cover is being laid at the intersection of First and Alder streets.

The old Nicolson pavement along Front street, between Oak and Stark, is being torn up.

In consequence of the improvements now going on on First street, between Alder and Washington, the regular trips of the street cars are interrupted.

The steamer will leave Astoria for San Francisco this evening. She will be detained in the Columbia until noon to-day, receiving salmon at the fisheries.

The Pioneers have challenged the Arcadians for a game, and the chances are that the latter will accept. We believe this will be the first of a series for the championship.

SAN FRANCISCO BOOT & SHOE STORE.—Moore & Hollabaugh, successors to J. Fleischner, 123 First street, respectfully say to the public generally, that they have marked down the old stock from 25 to 50 per cent., and intend to sell regardless of cost. They have this day received a large stock of New Goods, latest styles, which they will sell as cheap as the cheapest, endeavoring to suit all who may favor them with their patronage. Custom work done in the latest styles and on new and scientific principles. Repairing done to order. All work warranted. Give them a call before purchasing elsewhere.

For the Summer and Fall season some new and appropriate styles in clothing have been introduced. The large and varied stock at BECK & WALDMAN'S is worthy of inspection by all intending to buy something unusually new and attractive. Their late arrivals of Furnishing Goods are also very fine and must meet with great favor. This firm continue to offer special inducements in custom clothing. In every respect their stock is complete.

COLD LUNCHES.—The oyster season having closed, WALLER & SON, Oak street, between First and Second, will serve Rare Lunches to their patrons at all hours. The OXFORD SALAD DRESSING, their own preparation, is meeting with great favor. Try it.

The AMERICAN EXCHANGE HOTEL is still run by Quimby, who has been here for the past ten years, and intends to continue. He has no connection whatever with the St. Charles Hotel. His old patrons may be sure of always meeting him at the American Exchange as of old. 37tf

LITTLE MISS SIMMONS.

"I want to see the person in charge."

These were the words that saluted the ear of a distinguished officer who presides at a West side police station. The officer turned and beheld a child, a little girl about nine years of age, standing on tiptoe so as to rest her chin upon the railing, the better to get at him. She was very neatly dressed, but in sort of old-womanish way that struck one as odd, though not at all outlandish. Her hat strings were tied with quiet and Quaker-like precision under the chin, and there was a dignified look to her face strangely in contrast with her years.

"Well," said the officer, "what do you want?"

"Are you the person in charge?" said the child.

"Yes."

"I am Miss Simmons," she replied very seriously.

The officer smiled slightly, but again asked what she desired.

"You see," said Miss Simmons, with great gravity, "these boys are giving me much trouble. I have stood it about as long as I can."

"What boys," said the officer.

"The boys in the neighborhood," said Miss Simmons, giving her place of residence. "Some of them big ones, too, that ought to know better."

"Why do they trouble you?" asked the officer.

"It's in 'em," said Miss Simmons. "I guess it's in most all boys."

"What do they do?" queried the officer again.

"They throw torpedoes against the windows, and then they come the Dutch doll trick," she replied.

"What is that."

"It's making a ghost out of a pillow and a sheet and a broomstick, and then they stick it inside the door or up against the window and groan," she returned.

"And does this frighten you?" said he, when I ain't there they come, you know, and scare Nathan, you see."

"Who is Nathan?" said the officer.

"He is my papa, sir, who lives with me, 'cause he has no home of his own."

"Oh! he lives with you, does he?" said the official; "and he's your father"

"Yes, sir."

"And why don't he go out and drive the boys away?"

"Bless you," said Miss Simmons, smiling at the officer's innocence, "he wouldn't drive away anybody. He's as weak as a kitten."

"So when you're not there he is afraid, is he?"

"Yes; and sometimes when I am home and the boys come round shooting the torpedoes and groaning, he, he! makes me so, hanging on to me that I can't work."

"What do you do, Miss Simmons?" said the officer leaning forward and getting interested.

"I'm a dressmaker," returned the child, "and sometimes I make work-shirts and overalls."

"And do you get plenty to do?"

"Pretty plenty, though these are rather hard times, don't you think?" she said with a great air of business.

"Yes, they are, truly," returned the officer. "Miss Simmons, I'll call down to see you, and I promise the boys shall stop."

The child thanked him, and turning round walked quietly out. It was painful, as well as amusing to see her. There was no gleam of childishness in her blue eyes; no skipping along the sidewalk with the exuberant step of youth. If she had ever known a child's life she gave no evidences of it then, but seemed one on whom years of sad experience had been laid while yet she was almost in her cradle. And the officer visited her house and found it as she had said. The father had lost the use of his limbs in a great measure, and from one cause or another was imbecile and helpless. He watched her as a babe watches its mother, ready to smile when she petted him, but as ready to whine piteously when she denied him attention. It was in the morning when the officer visited the house, but he found the two little rooms as neat as wax, and as if fresh from the hands of an experienced housekeeper. When Miss Simmons got ready to leave for her work she turned to the little old man as if he were a baby, and putting marbles and blocks and wooden soldiers on the floor beside him, told him to be good. "I'll be back soon, Nathan," she said cheerfully, as she rumpled up his hair and patted his head. "I'm going to get nickles and dimes and quarters for you. Then we'll have fun." And she went out while he sat gazing after her with a half conscious smile in his withered face, but a look of perfect trust and confidence in her. It was a strange sight, that, for any leading age, the birdling guarding the nest, and yet only strange because preternaturally exhibited. For the days come quickly when childhood glides into stately age and age into dependent childishness, and the space is so brief between them that we hardly note the change.

The boys do not trouble Miss Simmons now, for the kind officer has warned them not to annoy her, besides, her life has become known through the officer's story, and, instead of throwing torpedoes, the bigger boys stand aside respectfully to let her pass, and say to each other in the midst of boisterous revelry, and with instant effect: "Hush, boys! Here comes Miss Simmons."—*Chicago Inter-Ocean.*

BUSINESS NOTICES.

The steamer *Ohio* is announced to leave for Salem on Monday next. Consult ad.

Mr. Waller, on Oak street, is receiving oysters again. All know that he can dish them up in excellent style.

The attractive cut which appears in the advertising columns, among the new "ads," indicates that it is Meussdorffer, who is using printer's ink to excellent advantage. Mr. Meussdorffer has given the business his entire attention and shows exactly what the trade need in his line. The last invoice just opened is worthy of examination.

For a meal as is a meal drop in at Fabre & Barnes', Central Market.

Genuine imported Vichy water and the delicious creme Polar soda water can only be had at Pfunder's German pharmacy, New Theatre block.

If you want a bargain in Real Estate, attend the auction sale at DeLashmutt & Ourman's, on the 25th inst., some desirable residence and business property will be disposed of on that day. aug26tf

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Samaritan Lodge No. 2, I. O. O. F.—Meets every Wednesday Evening at Shell's, in Odd Fellows Temple, corner of First and Alder streets. Members of the Order are invited to attend. By order of N. G.

Hassalo Lodge No. 15, I. O. O. F.—Meets every Friday evening at 8 o'clock, in Odd Fellows Temple, corner First and Alder streets. Members of this Order are invited to attend. By order of N. G.

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ISAAC MERRITT SINGER.

This eminent mechanician died at his residence at Old Pollington, near Torquay, England, on the 23d day of July, 1875, in the 64th year of his age.

It rarely happens that a great mechanical inventor permanently identifies his name with the useful inventions he gives to the world. The men of talent too often seize upon and carry off the fame which properly belongs to the men of genius. Still more rarely does it occur that the meritorious inventor secures the pecuniary rewards which justly pertain to the highest efforts of the mind.

The subject of this notice was so fortunate as to achieve, in both respects, a grand success. His name and reputation will be perpetuated by a great manufacturing corporation, whose beneficial operations extend over the whole civilized world, and he died in the possession and enjoyment of a colossal fortune. His father was a German, a millwright by trade; his mother a native of Rensselaer county, New York, where the future inventor was born. At an early day the family removed to Oswego, but the father met with little success in his business, and the son, when about twelve years of age, with very imperfect school education and no money, departed from home to which he never returned.

From that time forth he fought the battle of life alone. He soon turned his attention to mechanical work, and unremitted himself as a machinist, but he never served any regular apprenticeship, and never pretended to be an accomplished artisan. His mind naturally employed itself about novel means of reaching important results, and for many years, while engaged in inventions, it was his practice to employ the simplest materials, such as a steel wire bent to some peculiar shape, or a piece of sheet-iron cut to some strange form, or a pine stick curiously whittled with a pocket knife, to elucidate the principles of some of the most useful and curious mechanical devices. The inventions being thus made, and the method of operation distinctly shown, any skilled artisan readily put them into permanent form. At one time Mr. Singer was engaged in the employment of Messrs. Hoe, in the city of New York, as a machinist, and then devoted his leisure hours to study for the stage.

During several years he was a theatrical manager, and gave frequent representations of plays in the interior cities of Ohio, Pennsylvania and New York. In a certain line of characters, he is said to have acted with much success. To the close of his life he had an ardent love for theatricals and music, and in the splendid mansion, which he had built within the last few years, a theater, complete in all its appointments, was included.

While he was still a young man he invented a steam drilling machine, which was used with much advantage in the construction of various railways and canals. Subsequently (1850) he invented a machine for carving wood, metals or marble. While endeavoring to introduce this invention to public notice and use, his attention was casually directed to the sewing machine. In eleven days the first Singer sewing machine was invented and built complete. It contained much that was new and useful. Subsequent improvements, for which numerous patents were obtained, added greatly to the value of this machine; but it was successful and profitable from the beginning to all concerned in it and against all competition, has steadily and continuously increased in public favor, thus establishing the reputation of the inventor and securing him a vast fortune. In 1860, Mr. Singer retired from the active management of business, and since that time has resided mainly abroad. After several years' residence in Paris, he went, with his family, to England, and finally purchased an estate and settled down at Old Paignton, near Torquay, in Devonshire.

OBSTRUCTING SIDEWALKS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE OREGONIAN:

I believe there is a city ordinance relative to the obstruction of sidewalks and streets. While the ordinance is pretty generally observed, yet I find that Stark street, between Front and First, south side, is encumbered with boxes, sacks of onions, potatoes, etc., every day. The owner of the goods in question seems to have a privilege not enjoyed by any other merchant. Will the proper official settle the matter by showing his authority, and thus give all an equal show in the premises. On Front street, where the contractor has completed laying the Nicolson, a quantity of blocks and lumber remain. They should be removed. I could cite other instances of street and pavement obstructions that need attention. GROWLER.

RETURNED.—Dr. Welch, dentist, has returned to Portland, and can be found at his office in Odd Fellows' Temple.

One of the most attractive establishments in the city is that of JOS. KOHN'S, in the handsome building recently constructed at the corner of First and Morrison street. Mr. KOHN has an unusually large and varied stock of Clothing, Furnishing Goods, Trunks, Valises, &c. He made it a point to select goods, on a late trip, specially adapted to the local trade, and his customers will find everything in the new store of the very best quality, latest styles, and the prices regulated to suit.

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Have just received a fine Assortment of Remington, Sharp's and Winchester Repeating Rifles
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At 10 o'clock A. M.,
I will sell on account of departure, on the premises, on the west side of Sixth street, between Salmon and Main, the entire
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Wm G Morris, Cal
J F Evans, Washington
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G T Welch, Walsburg

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Wm Brigham, Dalles
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C P Bishop, Brownsville
J M Shotwell, "
F J Shotwell, "
F Willard, Columbia City
J Fox, Astoria
M L Armstrong, "
E Patterson, Rainier
R W Summers & wf, McMinnville
F Sengstacken, Portland
J Kelly, Lafayette
W P Newby, "
B F Slater, "
E Moe, Skamokawa
R Powell, Cathlet
J McCann, Scurvy's Isld
A Pelett, Astoria
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J M Cuthbertson, "
K Robertson, Salem
Thos Spencer, Lewis Riv
J S Spencer, "
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H C Stringfield, "
J Treadway, Scappoose
F Osmund, "
W J Crouch, Stoughton
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F H Perkins, Lewis Rivr

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A S Simpson, Baker City
F Wheeler, Col River
D Beckwore, Salmon Rvr
T D Williams, St Johns
T E Nilsen, Chicago
Hugh Small, Astoria
Mr Ellis & wf, "
Mrs Williams, "
C Lyon, Salt Lake
H W Marston, S F
E B Benson, Bay View, Michigan
F S Jones, Roseburg
J L Quackenbush, Astoria
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J H Wheeling, "
Mr Reed, Vancouver

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HAVING BEEN APPOINTED SOLE AGENT for the above celebrated brand of Kentucky Whiskey, I am in receipt of an invoice of the same, in barrels, half barrels and cases, which I am prepared to offer to the trade, at jobbing rates.
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An Invoice of above just received and
FOR SALE LOW.
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67 FRONT STREET, CORNER STARK.
JOHN R. FOSTER.

NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.
THE REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of the Oregon Central Pacific Railway Company will be held in the city of Portland, Oregon, at the office of Gibbs & Hughes, on Saturday, the 18th day of September, A. D. 1875.
D. J. PENGRA,
President.
ELIAS G. HUGHES, Secretary.
Portland, Aug. 14, 1875. aug16dtd.

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GRAY'S MUSIC STOR

The Daily Oregonian.

FRIDAY MORNING, AUGUST 27, 1875

THE PILGRIMS OF THE PLAINS.

They climbed the rock built breasts of earth,
The Titan fronted flowy steeps
That cradled Time. Where freedom keeps
Her flag of white blown stars unfurled,
They turned about and saw the birth
Of land for men up on the world.
Again they gazed they saw the face
Of God full named it boundless Place

And they descended and did roam
Through bosky distances set round
By fors of they saw the silences
Move by and became in their forms
Their very beards pitiful in shorts
And heard them talk like silent ones
On untrained heights black liter and brown
And turn like beasts in dens at dawn
They saw the darkness come down
Like curtains loosened from the dome
Of gods cathedral built of stars.

They saw the snowy mountains rolled
And heave fulong the manacle hills
Like mighty billows saw the gold
Of awful sunsets saw the blush
Of sudden dawn and felt the hush
Of Heaven when the day sat down
And hid its face in cooks hands
Then pitched the tent where rivers ran
As if to drown the fallen sun

The long and lonesome nights the tent
That nestled soft in keep of grass
The hill against the firmament
Where scars in the moving moon could pass
The cautious camp the smothered lift
The silent sentinel at night!

The wild beasts howling from the hill
The trot bled cattle bellowing
The savage prowling by the rifle pits
Then sudden pasting with all hell
Each bended as the bow is bent,
The arrow sent the arrow spent
And turned in its bloody place
The dead man lying on his face!

The clouds of dust, their cloud by day,
Their palms of unfolding fire
The far North Star And high and higher
They climbed so high it seemed if soon
That they must face the falling moon,
That like some errand it must lay
Down down and on their mystery way

Thor learned to read the sign of storms
The moon s wide circles, sunset bars
And upon prowling wolf and flame
And like the Chaldean shepherds came,
At night to name the moving stars
And in the heavens pictured forms
Of lions and fishes and bears
And marked the great bear wearily
Rise up and drag his clinking chain
Of stars around the starry main.

Joaquin Miller

HUMOROUS

Dr Johnson once dined with a Scottish lady who had hotch-potch for dinner After the doctor had tasted it she asked him if it was good "It is good for hogs, ma am said the doctor "Then pray," said the lady, let me help you to some more'

"For want of water I am forced to drink water, if I had water, I would drink wine This speech is a riddle, and here is the solution It was the complaint of an Italian vineyard man, after a long drought, and an extremely hot summer that had parched up all his grapes.

Just think of it! It costs one million two hundred and fifty thousand five hundred and eighty-nine dollars and ten cents to keep the women of this country in imported corsets for one year What a waste — *Exchange* Stay! it's not a waste, it is one of their means of support

London has another new industry A man advertises himself as "Knocker up and window tickler, from three to seven He wakes heavy sleepers who wish to get up early Window tickling is waking with out ringing the bells, by means of a long pole, with which he taps on the window pane,

A famous auctioneer, after exhausting the language of praise in extolling a certain gentleman's park, which had to fall under his hammer, said he was bound, as an honest man, not to conceal the drawbacks to the property, which were the litter made by the rose leaves and the perpetual din kept up by the nightingales

"Well, Mr Miller," said a Yankee proudly, to a traveling Scot, as they stood by the Falls of Niagara, "is it not wonderful" In your country you never saw anything like that?" "Like that!" said the Scot; "there s a far finer wonderful concern no twa miles fra wha I was born." "Indeed!" exclaimed Jonathan, with an air of supercilious skepticism, "and pray what kind of concern may it be?" "Weel, man," replied Sawney, "it's a peacock with a wooden leg"

She tried to sit down in a street car, but was pinned back so tight she couldn't. Old lady peeped over her specs and asked her, 'How long have you been afflicted that way?" The young lady blushed and made "a break," sitting down sideways, and holding her knees together so tight that she looked as if she had on a one legged pair of breeches Old lady noticed her sitting in this sideways cramped position, and whispered, "Bile, I s'pose, I have had 'em th m myself"

THE COUNTRY SKOOL MOM

She is invariably about twenty three and six months old, and remanes rite thare for a term of yeers

She wares her hair either kut short or hanging around in ringlets, and iz as precise in all things as one of Farbanks' improved platform skales,

She never laffs out loud, and seldom even smiles, but when she duz, she duz it accordin' tew the rules laide down by Murry, for speakin' out and pronouncing the mighsh language korrectly

She is the very essence of double extracted propriety, and would rather be four years behind the fashions in her dress and bonnet, than to spel a word wrong or parse a sentence inkorrectly

She keeps a scrap-book and an album, and would prefer rather to have the autograph of some milk and water poet than the name of some good man to a sixty days' note.

The country skool mom seldom dies an old Maid, she gets married generally to sum man who has but little edukashun, and he thinks (as he ought to) that thare ain't another such a larnt wom n on the face of the earth

With all her precoe foolishness, her pompous knowledge, her silly sentiment alism, and her almost always mistaken manner for matter, I respekt the country skool mom; she taught me m letters, she was pashunt when I was stupid, she soothed me when I was frackshus, and she often (good soul) gave me a tidbit from her luncheon at noontime,

May land heaven strew sum kind ov happiness in her pathway, for she iz paid poorly, worked hurdly, and the step mother to every body's children, she never receives from the world anything better than the most formal respekt.—*Josh Billings*

A Dog Story.—It is said that monkeys dislike to be laughed at, and dogs sometimes evince the same aversion to serving as the butt of human ridicule A writer gives the following instance A dog of his acquaintance had a fondness for catching flies on the window panes, but, if rifled when unsuccessful in the effort, betrayed the greatest annoyance On one occasion the writer purposely laughed nomoder ately every time the dog failed to capture his game and it so happened that he failed several times in succession being as the writer believes disconcerted by the derision his ill success called forth Finally he became so distressed that he actually feigned to catch the fly going through all the appropriate actions with his lips and tongue, and afterw rd rubbing the floor with his neck as if to kill his victim When the whole performance was concluded he looked up at the writer with a triumphant air of success So well did the dog simulate the entire process, that it id not the fly still remained on the window to convince him of deceit, his ruse would have been undiscovered When, however his attention was called to the fly as well as to the absence of any remnants of one upon the floor, he saw that his hypocrisy was understood, and slunk away under some furniture as if exceedingly ashamed of himself

FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

Financial.

THURSDAY EVENING August 26 1875

Gold in New York 113⅝.

Legal Tenders in Portland -buying, 88 selling 88

Coin Exchange on San Francisco at par

Currency Exchange on San Francisco ½ per cent. premium

Coin Exchange on New York ¾ per cent. premium

Currency Exchange on New York ½ per cent. premium

Telegraphic transfers on New York 1 per cent premium

Gold Bars par

Considerable excitement was occasioned in the city to day a ter official hours by the receipt of private te egrams announcing the suspension of the Bank of California. The telegrams came from various sources and were confirmed by one from the bank itself A stoppage in our telegraphic communication till San Francisco leaves us without details as to the suspension and recent startling but surmises can be indulged in The first cause of the calamity is no doubt the heavy drain of gold which the bank has had to meet of late in moving the crop of wool and in overdrafts on the part of brokers. There seems to be little doubt that the bank will be able to meet all engagements It did not suspend until half past 2 o clock As in another bank if four the doors of the bank would have been closed in due course there is an impression that the suspension will be but of short duration An institution with resources that mount daily well up into the millions cannot however suspend within half an hour of closing time without giving rise to something like a panic The excitement which followed the announcement in San Francisco is said to have been intense the streets in the neighborhood of the bank having been filled with excited persons The suspension will not be felt to any great extent in this city, although it cannot but have a (illegible) interest the stringency already felt Mr Thomas Davenport [illegible] is now in this city He regards the situation of course as a serious one but it is his opinion that the bank has had an unexpected drain upon its resources and that it will soon be able to resume operations He is confident that whatever happens the patrons of the bank will be safe

It cannot be denied that money matters in San Francisco have of late been in a very unsatisfactory and unsettled state The banks have been doing as little for the brokers as possible while the brokers are said to have been drawing the lines tighter on margins. Every one says the *Chronicle* in a review of the market for last week, is keeping a sharp lookout to windward And the same paper, in words that read almost like a warning goes on to say The assertions of brokers that the banks have plenty of money and don't bear it more freely if desired is denied by the banks themselves who say there is just money enough in the city for legitimate business, and none for speculation A prominent banker in making this assertion a few days ago added that he did not know where the operators got the money with which they were making purchases They must either be drawing it from the savings banks or from private hoards laid away in old stockings It continues to be believed that the prospective necessities of Flood & O Brien s new bank are causing the retirement of a large amount of ready money It is hard to understand how an institution that intends to start with so large an amount of convertible capital for the immediate use of borrowers can otherwise carry out its plans No matter how large an amount of bills receivable the new bank might have in hand, it would scarcely sufficient for the broad working purposes which its projectors have in contemplation

The stock market rules low, and the bank suspension is not likely to improve that branch of mining speculation There seems it is said to be no longer any certain key to the market or gauge of rates Brokers have filled few orders except from those who depend on daily fluctuations of rates, and for those strong men who are willing to purchase at prices they deem reasonable and able to wait for an easier money market and an ascending scale of prices.

The local wheat market remains in the sluggish state which has characterized it for a week past There are no new arrivals of vessels to chronicle although quite a fleet is due The barks Electra and Bilbarre are still seeking and remain at Astoria.

Telegrams from Liverpool report an unchanged wheat market there, and San Francisco rates come through as before—$2 10@2 15 About twelve vessels were fixed for wheat at San Francisco within the past three days of last week which had then reduced the amount of disengaged tonnage in that port to the smallest number of vessels in months past, the number awaiting business now being eighteen with an aggregate tonnage of 21 100 tons The clearing of so many ships most of them large carriers has had a good effect upon freights and charters are reported at an advance of fully $5 per ton for a direct port over those made a week ago.

The *Mark Lane Express* of August 2d is to hand It gives in detail the reason of the alteration in the English wheat market Itsays

The change to fine weather indicated at the close of the previous week and actually enjoyed throughout last week, has had some influence in the movement from a serious calamity Much local harm has indeed been done already but we were threatened with most serious injury to our harvest prospects that any crop only diminished by these floods may be fully made up by a second crop but the corn just reaching maturity has been wonderfully saved and we may yet have a moderate gathering, in good order The harvest movement which began on an electric pace has of course been greatly stopped and the price not yet settled may be considered as having lost 3 to 5s of recent gain in the trade The country markets all this week have been unusually free and as our grannies were getting cleared as well as our barns Millers could be more chary for the general good Bread has not yet, indeed, but can in a high degree and the current rates for wheat scarcely reach to an average being still below last year so the rise hitherto imparts has itself been productive of good giving an impetus to agricultural industry and curtailing any pressure upon the people. They have been getting on fast with their harvest in France and expect with favorable weather plenty of new wheat in a fortnight and therefore naught is making the quiet but steady filling markets—that of Paris being about 3s per qr cheaper for wheat and 1s for rye But the general reports as a whole seem below a full average yield although Mark Lane sells, as well as Paris has given away 3s per qr on the Belgian and German markets also show the same change but Odessa with a reported 1 crop of general deficiencies quotes a range of prices which can only lead to losses to importers and we will have to abate its pretensions while New York keeps within easy reach to meet the lower range of prices We now hear that drought has seriously told upon the north of Portugal and the official accounts of the crops in Austria and Hungary show more like a deficiency than any surplus

Home Produce Market.

WHEAT—The market has been without change this week and demand without activity Large supplies are coming in by railroad but there are no new transfers of any value in consequence to note. Buyers bought largely when the price was high and with abundance of stocks on hand or to arrive to meet immediate demands they keep quotations at the lowest point carry in the stock viz 2l 6s The Liverpool market remaining unchanged together with a decline in San Francisco has had a tendency to keep the market dull and nominary, quotations only nominative while farmers are busy with their crops Fuller and more reliable advices terms will have to be obtained before the market displays anything like activity The Sept is a shipment of 60 bales to San Francisco

FLOUR—Supplies are generally light although sufficient to accommodate demands which are mainly from the interior for shipment to San Francisco is stimulated exports for the present Prices remain at $6 75 but for standard testing 50 for good outside and country brands and $7 for superfine.

OATS—Late dispatches indicate that the crop will not show any marked improvement on the last year The crop will not be so short taking the larger acreage into consideration but the yield per acre will be about the same Export demand light and receipts are more than equal to the demand The market may be quoted rather easier but sacked

MILL FEED—There is no active demand now and with [illegible] trade is quite dull We quote jobbing prices $17 50 for bran $18 50 for shorts and $25 for chop and filling

CORN MEAL—Is selling at $

BARLEY—Receipts are light with prices unchanged Feed $1 20 chevening at $1 30 [illegible]

POTATOES—The new crop in full supply is now in the market and selling at 50@ 60 cts per bushel according to variety

ONIONS—Some large importations have [illegible] Our quotations are [illegible] per 100 lbs

CHEESE—Is fully [illegible]

POULTRY—Is [illegible] Roosters, Roughness and Smartness [illegible] Cuts, Eruptions and Pimples, [illegible] in spite of *cosmetics* while [illegible] in proving the Complexion

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Improvement of Upper Columbia River.

U S ENGINEER OFFICE

Portland Oregon Aug 25 1875

SEALED PROPOSALS IN DUPLICATE WILL be received at this office until 12 M on the 6th day of September 1875 for the improvement of the Upper Columbia river at each of the following points

Hunts Rapid between Pendleton and Umatilla about one hundred cubic yards of rock to be removed

Umatilla Upper Rapids the location being about six miles above Umatilla about two hundred cubic yards of rock to be removed

Celilo Rapids the location being about one mile below Celilo about two hundred cubic yards of rock to be removed

Dalles Rapids the location being about one mile above the Dalles about two hundred cubic yards of rock to be removed

The work to be done in accordance with plans and specifications to be prepared by the undersigned and to be approved by the Chief of Engineers U S Army at such time as may be directed

Bidders will be required to state in their proposals the price per cubic yard for which they will do the work and to give the names of two responsible persons as sureties for the faithful performance of the contract

Payments will be made monthly as the work progresses on estimates approved by the Chief of Engineers U S Army

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids

M MICHLER Major Engineers

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